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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph starting at on page 8, line 24 and continuing to ~~page 9~~ line 14 with the following new paragraph:

At the upper end along the vertical vehicle axis z a bearing section 4 is formed on the window guide 2 and has fastening points 41 for an outside handle holder GH in the form of a bearing bracket on which the handle shell GS of a door outside handle can be fastened, see Fig. 3. ~~Since these~~ The handle shells GS are to be mounted on the ~~door~~-outside skin TA of the door. ~~but on~~ On the other hand the handle holder GH which is designed as a bearing bracket is connected to the ~~door~~-inside skin of the door through the multifunctional support and an assembly support. Accordingly, in order to serve both the handle shell GS and the handle holder GH, the bearing points 41 for the handle holder GH are connected to the bearing section 4 through flexible (elastically deformable) retaining brackets 42. This resilient and flexible link of the fastening points 41 on the bearing section 4 through the retaining brackets 42 makes it possible to compensate the tolerances along the horizontal vehicle transverse axis y, i.e. perpendicular to the vertical vehicle axis z and perpendicular to the vehicle longitudinal axis x during assembly of the door outside handle.

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, lines 3-12 with the following new paragraph:

Finally two fastening points 13, 13a and 23, 23a are provided on the multifunctional support for fastening a door lock. The one fastening point 13, 13a is formed on the retaining angle 10 of the multifunctional support, has a sliding guide 13a extending in the vehicle longitudinal direction with a detent element as the stop and projects over a recess A of the retaining angle 10. The other fastening point 23, 23a is formed by a fastening opening 23a in a fastening block 23 which is moulded on the window pane guide 2 and protrudes therefrom and which furthermore has a reinforcement rib 24. This fastening point 23, 23a serves to fasten the door lock on the multifunctional support by a rivet or screw connection. The corresponding door lock is